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## The Season's Greetings to All Our Readers with Best Wishes for a Happy New Year

### County Schedule Of Highway Expense Northfield Gets \$3,000.00

After a conference between the Franklin County Commissioners and the State Commissioners of Public Works tentative plans for the 1935, chapter 90, highway appropriations to 26 towns in Franklin County, call for allotments of \$88,800 from the state, \$52,300 from the towns, and \$26,000 from the county. County Commissioners A. C. Burnham, S. U. Streeter and Carlos Allen attended the conference.

Northfield's share of the schedule calls for \$2,000.00 from the state and \$1,000.00 from the county provided the town of Northfield itself appropriates the sum of \$1,000.00. The total amount is to be spent for the improvement of 1.1 miles of the Warwick Road.

It is also proposed to build three small bridges at a cost of \$2,500.00 each.

Appropriations as apportioned for highway construction in 26 towns of Franklin County follow:—

Town	State	Town	County
Ashfield, Watson Road.....	1,000	500	500
Baptist Corner.....	1,500	1,000	500
Barnardston, Gill Road.....	1,800	800	1,000
Buckland, Hawley Road.....	4,000	3,000	1,000
Elmer Hills Bridge.....	1,500	1,500	.....
Charlemont, West Hawley road (surf.).....	2,000	1,000	1,000
Zoar Road.....	?	?	?
Colrain, Shelburne (2.6 miles).....	7,000	3,000	1,000
Conway, Shelburne Falls.....	3,000	2,000	1,000
Deerfield, River Road.....	3,000	2,000	1,000
Erving, Leicester Street.....	850	425	425
Church and North (to Northfield).....	1,150	575	575
Gill, West Gill Rd. (South End).....	2,000	1,000	1,000
Greenfield, High Street.....	11,000	10,000	1,000
Hawley, W. Hawley, Buckland.....	1,000	500	500
Heath, Jacksonville Stage.....	2,000	1,000	1,000
Leverett, Shutesbury & North Leverett.....	2,000	1,000	1,000
Leyden, Greenfield Road.....	2,000	1,000	1,000
Monroe, Dunbar Brook Bridge.....	4,000	3,000	1,000
Montague, Sunderland Road.....	6,000	5,000	1,000
Repair Montague Bridge.....	5,000	.....	?
New Salem, Wendell Road.....	2,000	1,000	1,000
Northfield, Warwick (1.1 miles).....	2,000	1,000	1,000
(3 small bridges, \$2500 each).....	3,000	2,000	1,000
Orange, North Main Street.....	3,000	1,500	1,000
Rowe, Zoar Road.....	1,500	1,000	500
Shelburne, East Colrain (hard top).....	1,500	1,000	500
Bardwell's Lane.....	2,000	1,000	1,000
Shutesbury, Wendell.....	4,000	1,000	1,000
Sunderland, Montague Road.....	2,000	1,000	1,000
Warwick, Northfield Road (bridge).....	3,000	2,000	1,000
Wendell, Depot Road.....	2,000	1,000	1,000
Whately, Haydenville Road.....	2,000	1,000	1,000
	\$88,800	52,300	26,000

### Brotherhood Activities Had Splendid Meeting

The December meeting of the Northfield Brotherhood was held last Tuesday evening in the vestry of the Congregational Church with an attendance of 75 members. Supper was served at 6:30 under the able supervision of Hermon Dickinson. During the business meeting three new members were added: Harold B. Ingalls, Ernest Kirmann, and Warren Brown.

The note of Christmas was sounded by the Brotherhood quartet, made up of Professor Irving J. Lawrence, Lester P. White, Albert A. Roberts, and Harry A. Erickson. The Rev. W. Stanley Carne spoke briefly on Christmas. Professor Frank Duley gave an interesting 20 minutes of Current Events. Munro Smith, pioneer in the Youth Hostel Movement in America, a Hermon graduate in 1919, who is now located at the first Hotel in America at the Chateau of the Northfield Hotel, was the speaker who concluded the evening's program. He showed movies of a trip that he and his wife conducted into seven countries of Europe last summer.

The president of the Brotherhood announced that a U Table discussion would feature the program next month. In February Mr. Parmenter of the State Conservation Department at Boston will show movies and speak on the work of the outdoors that comes within the scope of his department. In March it is hoped that John Haigis of Greenfield, nominee for lieutenant-governor of Massachusetts last November, will address the Brotherhood. The April meeting will be the Father-and-Son Night, when movies will feature the program. Judge Robert C. Parker of Westfield will be the speaker at the May meeting. The June meeting will be the picnic with the Sunday School.

### Get Safety Medals For Careful Driving

Nine automobile drivers for the Northfield Schools and six drivers for the Northfield Hotel company were awarded gold medals and certificates of merit for safe driving last week at a meeting held at the Northfield Hotel. The awards were made by an insurance company who carry the insurance on the school and hotel motor equipment.

The awards were as follows: Five-year medals, George W. Carr, C. J. Griggs, Clifford Bolton, B. E. Newton, Ernest Howard, F. A. Holton, Lester A. Polhemus, Andrew Gray and Carroll Rickert of the Northfield Schools, and Philip Porter, Bernard Whitney, Sinclair Sutherland, Duncan Campbell, William Kelly and Charles Scoble of the hotel.

Four-year certificate, L. A. Phelps, Northfield Schools; three-year certificate, Kenneth Black, Northfield Hotel. Two-year certificates, M. D. Birdsell and Albin C. Franz, Northfield Schools. One year certificate, Herbert Witherell, Northfield School.

This is a fine record of achievement in motor driving and is most commendable.

### Vernon Votes \$12,000 To Eliminate Underpass

The town of Vernon voted last week the sum of \$12,000, an amount not to exceed one third the entire expense of the project to widen the highway and improve the underpass of the Central Vermont Railway in that town on the through route from South Vernon to Brattleboro.

The meeting was held in the Town Hall with an attendance of about 60. A. A. Dunklee was moderator. District Highway Commissioner Stevens explained the plans and answered various questions, and there was discussion by several voters. After the resolution had been introduced by Ernest W. Dunklee, the vote in favor of the appropriation under the conditions specified was about three to one. It is contemplated that the underpass, which is about a mile north of the Massachusetts line, shall be widened to permit the construction of a 24-foot roadway; that the roadway be lowered four feet to provide more nearly adequate clearance for present-day traffic; that a two-foot tile be laid to take care of drainage; and that the roadway on each side be relocated by carrying it out farther from the track in order to avoid abrupt turns and to give drivers a longer line of vision through the underpass.

William G. Carr who is a student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Carr for the holidays.

Miss Nellie Anderson is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson of Warwick Ave.

### Seminary News Notes

Edited by  
The Members of the  
Northfield Seminary Press Club

#### Town Girls

With vacation drawing near the town students, as well as those living on the Seminary campus are eagerly looking forward to a happy and exciting vacation at home. The Seminary closes its doors to the students December 20 and will fling them open again on January 2, 1935. The following girls live in town: Genevieve Alexander, Ruth Field, Agnes Blake, Lucile Bolton, Miriam Bolton, Frances Callaghan, Jane Callaghan, Margaret Callaghan, Harlene Carne, Margaret Carne, Ellen Edson, Jean Gladstone, Elizabeth K. S. A. and Elizabeth Kehl, Evelyn Lanphear, Irene Lanphear, Margaret Lanphear, Shirley Lanphear, Pauline Lematowitz, Ruth McEwan, Dorothy Marcy, Ethel Marcy, Elizabeth Pallam, Katherine Payson, Ruth Ruhl, Margaret Skilton, Edith Spaulding, Marion Spaulding, Ruth Spaulding, Louise Whitman, Lois Wilkinson, Dorothy Wright.

#### Social Problems Discussed

The Industrial Relations group met with the Mt. Hermon Social Problems group last Saturday afternoon at East Hall. Miss Ruby Dearborn addressed the meeting; her subject was "My Experiences As a Mill Worker." Plans were made for furthering knowledge about mill conditions during Christmas vacation.

Miss Dearborn has worked for the past two summers in a mill at North Adams, Mass. After her address refreshments were served. Following that everyone contributed ideas for a question sheet. This sheet will be mimeographed, and every member will be given one. It contains questions concerning every phase of the Labor situation. Each member will try to consult someone who is familiar with one particular type of work in the labor problem.

At the close of Christmas vacation the two groups will again meet for the purpose of discussing the discoveries made during Christmas vacation.

#### Sunday Chapel

Sunday, Dec. 16, 1934, Miss Wilson spoke on the text, "Is This the Way to Bethlehem?" which is the title of a hymn sung in chapel last week. She advised the students how to find out if they were on the right road, and she also pointed out that joy was a very big sign of being on the road to Bethlehem. Although we do not seem to realize it, making pleasure for others puts us on the right track, and it is amazing to figure out how many people do that.

Take for example, actors, piano players and bridge players. The East Hall girls are breathless awaiting the arrival of old Saint Nicholas himself, who will descend the fire escape on the South side of East Hall, and enter one of the dining room windows during the dinner hour of December 19. Santa's sack will overflow with trivial gifts for every girl and members of the faculty.

#### Faculty Notes

Miss Marian Keller, Miss Doris Gibson, and Miss Margarette Liniger, members of the Northfield Seminary Faculty, and Miss Prudence Fish, a faculty member at Middlebury College, are planning to spend a week of the Christmas Holidays in Florida. The foursome will leave Northfield Thursday morning, Dec. 20, and motor south. Miss Marian Keller and Miss Doris Gibson will be guests at Miss Keller's brother's home in Indian Rocks, outside of Tampa, while Miss Liniger will visit friends in St. Petersburg. The group will return to Northfield January 2nd.

#### Christmas Carol Service

Sunday evening, December 16, the annual Christmas Carol Service was held in Sage Chapel at 7:30 P.M. The program was as follows:—

Prelude:  
"Der Tag-Der ist so freudentreich" — Bach  
"Ave Maria" — Bach-Gounod  
(organ, harp, violin and flute)  
Practical:  
"Dost thou remember the Prophet" — Old French  
"Christmas Carol" — Florence N. Wilson

Carol:  
"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" — Praetorius  
"And there shall come forth a shoot out of the stock of Jesse, and a branch out of his roots shall bear fruit. And (Continued On Page Four)

### Star Elects Officers Has Social Gathering

The regular meeting of Northfield Chapter, No. 82, O.E.S. was held Tuesday evening, December 18. A supper was served at 6:30 to the members and their families, after which the annual election of officers was held. The following were elected to serve the coming year: Mrs. Marion G. Given, Worthy Matron, Ralph M. Forsaith, Worthy Patron, Mrs. Ruth H. Darby, Associate Matron, Willis K. Parker, Associate Patron, Mrs. Josephine S. Haskell, Secretary, Miss Edith E. Steadler, Treasurer, Mrs. Evelyn H. Parker, Conductress, Mrs. Mildred E. Addison, Associate Conductress, and Charles C. Stearns, Trustee for three years.

The hall was prettily decorated for the Christmas season with two trees well loaded with small gifts, which, during the Concert following the meeting, Santa Claus presented to Miss Catherine Herron the District Nurse to be used in her work in town at this season. A very splendid Christmas concert was given by a choir of fifteen members, with solos by Miss Marion Webster, Miss Dorothy Pearson and little Miss Barbara Addison and a duet by little Misses Myrna Darby and Barbara Harris. The Christmas story from Luke was given by Mrs. Ruth Ross, and little Miss Helen Savcheff played two selections on the violin. About one hundred members and their families were present at the supper and during the concert.

### The Xmas Party Of Fortnightly Pleased

Town Hall was completely filled for the family Christmas Party of the Fortnightly Club last Friday. Mrs. A. H. Wright was the hostess and presided as she spoke feelingly for Rev. Mary Andrews Conner, President who was prevented from attending owing to illness. There was music and the singing of carols by the audience led by Miss Marion Webster with Mrs. Webster at the piano. The program was a series of character delineations by Mrs. Roseith K. Breed who captivated the audience and who thoroughly enjoyed her sketches.

A large number of the town's young people were in attendance and they as well as the older people gave vent to the enjoyment which they experienced.

The stage represented a drawing room and was prettily decorated with flowers and a lighted Christmas tree.

### Farm Credit Agencies Continue To Make Loans

Farm loan agencies are continuing to accept applications and to make loans with no interruption, according to Roy D. Harris Secretary of the Franklin National Farm Loan Association who makes this announcement in response to recent statements that loans will be discontinued.

"Statements that the Home Owners Loan Corporation has ceased to accept new applications have caused confusion concerning the status of farm loan associations," says a report which Mr. Harris just received from the Farm Credit Administration of Springfield, Mass.

"This association was chartered as a permanent, co-operative, farm credit enterprise and will continue to operate as long as there are farmers who want to use its facilities. Further, the association has no connection whatever with the Home Owners Loan Corporation and its regulations do not affect you in any way," the report declares.

The Franklin National Farm Loan Association, organized in Sept. 18, 1917 now has 217 members who have obtained mortgage loans through the Federal Land Bank of Springfield for a total of \$541,650. Paralleling the mortgage-loan association in this locality is the Northampton Production Credit Association, also a permanent credit cooperative which was formed last spring to make short-term loans of farm working capital. It is also a continuing organization, likewise unaffected by Home Owners Loan Corporation regulations. Mr. Harris is also Franklin County Representative for the Northampton Production Loan Association.

### A Beautiful Tree

Again this year the Christmas tree on the campus of the Northfield Seminary near Stone Hall is illuminated by colored lights and certainly presents a beautiful sight. The lights were first turned on last Friday evening and beside affording a real Christmas atmosphere to the many students, is an object of admiration to nearby residents and those of our citizens who go up to view it.

### YULETIDE GREETINGS

#### THE WHOLE YEAR CHRISTMAS

Oh, could we keep the Christmas thrill,  
The goal of Christmas and good-will.  
The lilt of laughter and the touch  
Of kindly hands that utter much,  
Not once a year, but all the time,  
The melody of hearts in chime,  
The impulse beautiful and kind,  
Of soul to soul and mind to mind  
That swings the world  
And brings the world  
On one great day of all the year  
Close to God's treasure house of cheer...  
Oh, could we keep the Christmas feast.  
Even when goods and gold are least;  
Here, 'mid our common daily scenes,  
Could we but live what Christmas means  
Not one day, but for every day  
The miracle of wholesome play,  
The spirit sweet, gift-giving, young,  
From deepest wells of feeling sprung.

What a different world this world would be!  
For we should see as children see,  
If only a magic way were found  
To make us children the whole year round!

—Angela Morgan

### Bank Annual Meeting To Liquidate Affairs

The Annual Meeting of The Northfield National Bank will be held at the room formerly occupied by the Bank in the Town Hall on Tuesday, January 8th, 1935, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon. The stockholders have been notified in accordance with the law and will act on the approval of the merger with the First National Bank and Trust Co. of Greenfield and decide upon dissolving its charter to the comptroller of the Treasury.

The bank began business March 1st 1928 and merged on November first last, after six and one half years of general banking. Its first Cashier was Merwin D. Birdsall, followed by Leon Chapman and recently Warren Weir.

William F. Hoehn has been President during the whole period. Those who have served as Directors are:—the late Elliott Spear, Charles C. Stearns, Frank W. Williams, Clarence P. Buffum, Dr. Richard G. Holton, Dr. A. H. Wright, Joseph F. Bittinger and William F. Hoehn.

### Some Dry Towns Remain In State

There are 316 towns in Massachusetts and eighty-six of them voted dry on the license question at the recent election. Northfield is one of these towns. The following towns in Western Massachusetts so voted are as follows:—

Berkshire:—Alford, Egremont, Florida, Monterey and Tyringham. Franklin:—Ashfield, Charlemont, Gill, Hawley, Heath, Leverett, Leyden, New Salem, Northfield, Rowe, Shutesbury and Sunderland.

Hampshire:—Chesterfield, Cummington, Goshen, Middlefield, Pelham, Prescott, Westhampton and Worthington.

Hampden:—Blandford, Brimfield, Granville, Montgomery and Tolland.

### Trinitarian Church

Sunday School at ten o'clock. Preaching Service at eleven o'clock, special Christmas Anthems by the Choir. Sermon subject will be "God With Us."

The Choir under the direction of Professor Lawrence will give a Concert of Christmas Music on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. Everyone is invited.

Sunday School at the No. Three School-house at two-thirty. Preaching at the Farms at six-thirty.

Northfield young men from Wheaton will direct the Christian Endeavor at seven o'clock. Thursday evening at seven-thirty o'clock, the regular weekly prayer service at the vestry, followed by the choir rehearsal.

Matthew Cushing, Executive Secretary of the Massachusetts Bankers Association, has resigned to accept a position as Vice President of the Granite Trust Company in Quincy. He will be succeeded by Mr. John S. Gwinn of Quincy. Both of these men are well known to local men interested in banking matters.

It is reported that Mrs. Jennie Nichols of West Northfield is seriously ill with pneumonia.

### Local Seal Sale Moves Well Forward

The sale of the Christmas seals in Northfield is rapidly moving forward and Miss Ina Merriman who represents the Committee in this town is very much pleased with the results thus far. The proceeds go to the work of the Massachusetts Tuberculosis League.

The 1934 sale of Christmas Seals is the twenty-eighth annual sale for the prevention of tuberculosis throughout the United States. Miss Emily Bissell of Wilmington, Delaware, inaugurated the first sale of Seals in that State in 1907. For the first few years of the Seal Sale the seals bore the emblem of the American Red Cross. Since 1919 the two organizations have operated separately but in complete harmony. Some confusion still remains that the tuberculosis seals are for the Red Cross and are in some way connected with the Roll Call. This is not so.

Eighty-five percent of the proceeds of the Christmas Seal Sale remain in the locality in which the seals are sold, ten percent goes for the maintenance of the State Organization which supervises the twenty-eight affiliated organizations and five percent is forwarded to the National Association for its research and the activities in the nation-wide campaign against tuberculosis.

### Hurrah For Girl Scouts

A meeting of the newly organized Girl Scout Troop Committee was held at the home of the Chairman last Thursday evening. Miss Winifred Curtis, Girl Scout Commissioner for this district, was present, and explained the method of starting a new troop, and of obtaining a charter.

Miss Carrie J. Cook was elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Troop Committee, and plans were discussed for the transportation of such girls as may need it after troop meetings. The first meeting of the Girl Scouts will be January 9th, in the Town Hall basement, at 3:30 P.M.

All former Girl Scouts who have green uniforms which they wish to sell are asked to notify Mrs. Charles Kehl, giving size and condition. These will then be available when the new Scouts are able to purchase uniforms.

### For Episcopalians

For those who are members of the Episcopalian faith in Northfield and desirous of attending the Christmastide services the following services are announced at St. James Church in Greenfield, the Rev. John B. Whiteman, Rector.

Sunday, December 23rd 8 A.M. Holy Communion; 10:45 A.M. Morning Prayer and Sermon. The following day Monday at 4 P.M. will be the Christmas Eve Service, Tuesday Christmas Day 8 A.M. Holy Communion and Sermon. Friday December 28th is Holy Innocents Day and at 8:30 P.M. there will be held the Children's Party.

On Sunday after Christmas there will be the usual services with a Carol Service at four o'clock P.M.

Rev. George A. Bronson occupied the pulpit of the Federated Church at Warwick last Sunday.

### Assessors Attend Their Annual County Session

At a meeting of the Franklin County Assessors Association held Monday afternoon at the Weldon Hotel Greenfield a conference was held with Tax Commissioner Long of Boston. It was the Annual Meeting and Herman V. Hale of Conway was elected President.

Mr. Charles E. Leach one of the Northfield Assessors was elected to the Executive Committee. There were 69 assessors of the County in attendance.

After his usual complimentary remarks about Franklin County towns, Commissioner Long dwelt at length on the growing hardships being forced on property owners throughout the state. Citing two factors responsible for this condition, Long said that one of them is the huge amount of tax-title property, now totaling \$22,000,000 in actual taxes. The other is the amount that banks are paying out in taxes, either on property which they own or on which they have extended loans. Banks of this state, he said, own more than \$100,000,000 in real property which they have acquired through foreclosure.

"Two courses are open for property owners," Commissioner Long continued. "One is to work for reduction in governmental costs as groups of taxpayers have already done. The other is to discover new sources of revenue."

With regard to tourist homes, Long stated that when part of a dwelling is used for tourist purposes it must be assessed as having a commercial value.

The Northfield Assessors were in attendance.

### The President's Ball

The President's Birthday Ball in honor of Franklin Delano Roosevelt in Northfield will be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday evening January 30th. At the same time similar balls will be given in cities and towns throughout the nation. Mr. John Bennett has received his certificate of appointment as local chairman and he has named Miss Mildred Addison as Treasurer. All the proceeds will be devoted to the care and prevention of infantile paralysis, seventy per cent to be spent locally and thirty per cent to go to the National Fund. A well known orchestra is to be secured to furnish music.

### Local Folks Enjoy Christmas Carol Services

Many of the citizens of Northfield enjoyed a most interesting Christmas Carol Service given by the Northfield Schools at Mount Hermon Chapel last Sunday at 5 o'clock and repeated at Sage Chapel at the Seminary at the evening service.

Deep in religious fervor and rendered in a faultless manner the services were very much appreciated as the Christmas time expression of Christian thought.

At both services the audience completely filled the chapels.

The choirs were directed by Melvin Gallagher, accompanied by Carlton W. L'Hommedieu, Gladys Grindeland, and Marian Keller. As published in last week's Herald the program consisted of carols: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming," "O, Nightingale Awake," "Is This the Way to Bethlehem?" "Joy to the World," "A Babe So Tender," "Lullaby on Christmas Eve," "Angels O'er the Fields," "While Shepherds Watched," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "Glory to God in the Highest," and "The Shepherd's Story."

### Was Found Guilty Of Dangerous Driving

On the night of October 19th a very serious head on collision took place on the Northfield-Barnardston Road just the other side of Mt. Hermon. The two cars involved were from Keene each traveling in an opposite direction. One car was driven by Ira Kenney of West Swanzey and the other by R. H. Golland of Keene.

Kenney was driving toward Northfield when he met a west-bound car operated by Roland H. Golland, of Keene and containing Norman W. LeClair, also of Keene, as a passenger. Evidence revealed that Kenney, for some reason, swung to his left and struck the Golland car squarely. He and LeClair were critically hurt and were placed on the danger list at the Franklin County Hospital, Golland was only slightly hurt.

At the continued hearing into the case Kenney was convicted in District Court last Saturday of the charge of operating an automobile dangerously. Disposition will be made by Judge Ball on January 6th.



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## EDITORIAL

The best Christmas editorial ever written is in the Bible. It tells, in beautiful simplicity, a changeless story. There is the star moving across the heavens and fixing itself finally as a diadem above a Bethlehem stable. There are the wise men of the East, first of hundreds of millions to bend before the power and beauty of the Christian ideal. There are the shepherds in the fields, for whom the veil of eternity lifts so that the mortal sees the immortal choir pouring "good tidings" upon him. There is, in fact, for the Christian, the most beautiful, the most significant and the most necessary story of all history.

In its crowning moment the narrative pronounces this superb, matchless benediction:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace."

The sentence epitomizes the Christian faith and sums up Christ-like living. Glory to God is exemplified in an upright life, peace on earth is the expression of a sublime and sensitive humanity. The world struggles bravely toward the goal, and each passing age sees the spreading consciousness of generous conduct. "Man's inhumanity to man" yields to the mellowing grace of civilized society.

Civilized society is most intense in the family group, focused to-day around a common remembrance, however far scattered its members may be. It is of the genius of the Christmas season that men far away from the hearthstone can sniff the odors of the past, and snatch from the vanished years a wisp of experience, a flavor of recollection, that holds the heart steady and the mind clear to those affections which irrevocably bind us together.

The home at Christmas is the symbol of that peace and open-hearted living for which the world so wistfully seeks. The gifts, the gay cries of happiness, the sweet union of kindness together form the cradle of mankind's better destiny.

It is a wonderful story, whose words sing down the corridors of time, reclaiming and inspiring countless generations. No other narrative has unlocked so swiftly the door to the human heart; none other is able to lift our imaginations so tenderly into universal communion.

The announcement made last week that more missionaries in China had been kidnapped and murdered is of particular interest in Northfield because Mrs. Stam, wife of Mr. J. C. Stam, (whose bodies have been found) was a former student in Northfield Seminary and as such is kindly remembered by her associate students.

There is an old saying: "Eternal vigilance is the price of freedom." That axiom is most important now, because freedom faces its greatest dangers in times of stress.

If we are to maintain our fundamental liberties—of speech, of action, of press, of church—we must pay for them in the coin of vigilance. We must not trade permanent blessings for temporary benefits—no matter how desirable

these benefits seem at the moment. We must hold steadfastly to the democratic principles upon which the United States was built, and with whose aid it grew great.

Many sincere persons, carried away by their wish to better conditions, would permit our institutions to be weakened and perhaps destroyed, believing that they are no longer able to cope adequately with the problems of the modern world. The best answer to that lies in the examples of other great nations, which have jettisoned individual and corporate liberties with disorder, bloodshed, revolutions, as the results.

Freedom is a sacred trust. It is the duty and the privilege of every American to discharge the great obligation it imposes.

One of the favorite dictums is that public ownership of power companies would make it possible to give the public much cheaper service. Advocates of public developments point proudly to the examples of a few municipal plants which sell power at somewhat lower rates than do comparable private plants.

What they don't point to is the fact that any private utility could also give the public cheaper service if it had the same advantages as the average public plant. Government owned projects pay little or no taxes, while the private utility pays out around 15 per cent of its total revenue to the tax collector—some utilities pay upwards of 20 per cent.

Publicly-owned utilities, in most instances, are not subject to any kind of regulation. They may pursue unorthodox accounting practices, and are free from the strict rules laid down by commissions for private plants. In some states, where investigations of private utilities have been started, the entire cost must be paid by the utility, thus adding heavy costs to operating expense, for which it receives nothing in return.

Publicly-owned utilities are often given accounting, technical and other services by city departments, for which no charge is made against the utility. Private companies must pay the entire bill for these essential services.

And so it goes, with public plants holding the advantage all along the line so far as running expense is concerned. Yet it remains a fact that, in a thousand instances, private systems have taken over municipal systems, improved service, lowered the cost of power to the consumer, and paid heavy tax bills to all forms of government.

## Poet's Corner

### THE WANDERER

The loose foot of a wanderer  
Is cursed as well as blest!  
It urges ever, ever on  
And never gives him rest.  
It leads him over hill and dale,  
By river and by lea,  
Across the russet moors at even  
Down to the surging sea.  
It fills him with wanderlust  
He'll never set him down  
To build a home with hearth and fire

Near a friendly town.  
No maid will ever hold him long  
Tho' she be trim and fair—  
He urges ever, ever on  
With star-dust in his hair.  
Heaper Le Gallienne.

### THE SHELL

If thou couldst empty all  
Thyself of self,  
Like to a shell disabled,  
Then might He find thee  
In the ocean shell  
And say, "This is not dead,"  
And fill thee with Himself instead.

But thou art so replete with very  
thou,  
And hast such shrewd activity,  
That when He comes, He says,  
"This is enow  
Unto itself, 'twere better let it  
be—  
It is so small and full there is no  
room for Me." —ANON

### TO MY MOTHER

I would weave you a song, my  
mother,  
You who have given me all my  
music.  
Yours the tender hand  
Upon my breast;  
Yours the voice  
Sounding ever in my ears.

There is beauty so rare,  
We may not gaze upon it  
Without a catch in the heart  
And a stilling of the tongue.  
And when from some far universe  
There comes a breath of stars  
We can but kneel.  
Thus when I think of you,  
My thoughts are soundless  
And my eyes are dim with mist.  
Look well and you shall see my  
love.  
Hearken, and you shall hear  
My silent song.  
Madeleine Mason-Manheim.

### WHEN I GROW OLD

When I grow old,  
God grant that every child  
Will feel the youthful texture of  
my soul,  
And will not turn away from me  
As from a shade or shrunken vine  
When I grow old.  
When I grow old,  
God grant that I may have some  
task  
Which must be done, or some one  
fare the worse—  
That in some corner of the earth  
Some one will need my hand  
When I grow old.  
Ethel R. Peyser

Will the party who exchanged  
an overcoat by mistake at the  
Brotherhood Meeting Tuesday evening  
please call Mr. Erickson  
President by telephone 77-4.

## Public Forum

### POSTMASTER SPEAKS

To the Editor:

I would like you to bring to the attention of the patrons of the Northfield Post Office the following information. In order that every one may be sure of receiving all their packages before Christmas, I have arranged to have the Northfield Post Office remain open on Christmas Eve, December 24th, until 8 p.m. The office however will be closed all day Christmas and there will be no delivery of mail to those holding boxes in the office or on the Rural Routes. I trust that this information will reach every one so that on Christmas there will be no disappointments about not having received a certain package.

To the Editor and all those in the Herald, the staff at the Post Office extend a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

LAWRENCE D. QUINLAN  
12-18-34 Postmaster.

### The Spirit Of Christmas

Christmas is probably the most widely celebrated of all holidays. It is not a holiday that belongs to any particular class or sect, but wherever Christianity has reached there you will find Christmas. Many of the customs that are dear to us, originated in a pre-Christian era, indeed some of them can be traced back to the time of the Druids. And how we cling to them.

Every little while, some restless soul tries to change some detail in our observance of the day, but the fact soon dies, and we swing back with an odd feeling of relief to the old simple, familiar things. It is the one day in all the year when we are children again. It is the one day when we throw aside our grown-upness, our cares and responsibilities, all our silly little dignities and poses. Mother dresses the doll for Nancy, but she dresses it also for the little girl of years ago, the little girl to whom Christmas was the most beautiful time in the whole year. Father plays with Junior's toys (and if he doesn't, we know he would like to.) And the railroad train he operates or the truck that he sends dashing across the floor, are seen through the eyes of the little boy he used to be. The rank and file of mankind, never grow up, they only pretend to. No matter how old and white haired we become, the child still lives in our souls. The more dignified we act, the more pompously we strut, the more you may be that the child lives close underneath. We save our faces, as it were, by talking big and acting tall. Men and women, who said so? Merely a host of little children, whistling to themselves in the dark. The masks we wear, are but childish attempts to frighten away the demons of our own creation. But at Christmas time, we cast them aside, and the child that is our true self comes forth. That is why the world laughs and sings at Christmas, children are abroad in the land. The complexities of life fade away, the old loves return, and we see as God meant us to see, without pretense and without snobbery. Of course there are some that the Spirit of Christmas never reaches, some so wrapped in selfishness and false pride that the child hides out of sight. To such ones, Christmas is only a bore, something to get through with somehow. Such people are spiritual cripples, the broken ones, the branded ones of earth. For Christmas is the children's festival. The birthday of a child, it can only be truly realized through the clear eyes and pure heart of a child. For that one day we believe only in the good and the true. Our faith in the eternal rightness of things is renewed and the world glows with sympathy and tenderness. It is the one day that we feel that anything might happen, when our hearts reach out longingly for the loves and friendships that have vanished and all the miracles of life lie just around the corner. It is the day that the Child of Bethlehem is born over and over again in human hearts, the day when Wise Men forget their wisdom and kneel at the feet of innocence and truth, when the gates of Heaven open and angels sing under the stars.

BLANCHE I. CORSER

**Mrs. Wilkinson's Funeral**  
The funeral of Mrs. Arthur W. Wilkinson was held last Sunday afternoon at two o'clock at the home on Highland Ave. Mrs. Wilkinson died at Sarasota, Florida where she had gone to regain her health after a long illness. The body reached Northfield by train last Saturday night.

Rev. John Fleming of Brooklyn, formerly pastor of the Wilkinsons while they lived in Easton, Pa. was the officiating clergyman. He was assisted by Rev. Stanley Carne of the local Congregational Church. Rev. Mr. Fleming read some favorite scripture quotations and poetry.

Mrs. Wilkinson is survived by her husband who was engaged in Y.M.C.A. work in Easton for many years; four sons, Arthur, Donald, Dwight and John and one daughter, Lois. The bearers were Lester Polhemus, Edward Livingston, Lester White, George McEwan, Carol Rikert and E. E. Jones. The burial was at Mount Hermon Cemetery.

### South Church Notes

Rev. Mary Andrews Conner  
Minister

Sunday, December 23

9:45 Church School.

10:45 In the absence of the pastor the services will be conducted by Rev. W. W. Coe.



FREDERICK W. COOK

Secretary of State  
Fred W. Cook, Secretary of the Commonwealth was re-elected at the recent State election in November.

However he is in the throes of a recount but no one believes there will be any real danger of the astute Fred being overturned. That would, indeed, be a tragedy. Heard it said of Fred Cook the other day, by a leading Democrat, "Fred Cook is one man whom I hope to see in that office up there so long as I live and have an interest in the affairs of Massachusetts. He is above all partisan politics." And it's a pretty accurate description of Fred.

Mr. Cook was present at the reception to Republican candidates in Northfield during the campaign.



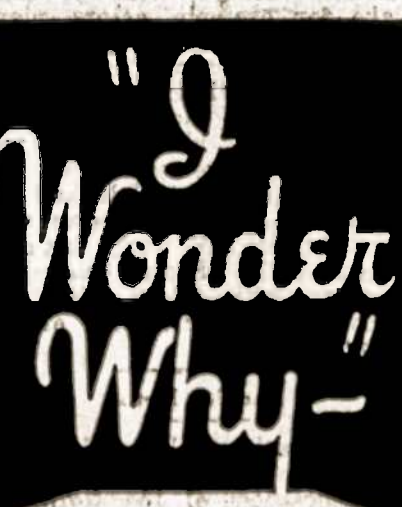
CHARLES C. STEARNS

At the annual meeting of Harmony Lodge of Masons held recently, Mr. Charles C. Stearns, re-elected as Secretary for the 34th year. This is a distinction of which Harmony Lodge may well be proud. Mr. Stearns has "graciously given a most valuable service to the Masonic fraternity" is the compliment made by a brother in Masonry.

### Appreciation

Mr. Kenneth Leach as President with Miss Ruth Anderson as advisor in behalf of the Young People's Social Club wishes to thank the Members of the Fortnightly Club for the most enjoyable evening of Dec. 14. The Y.P.S.C. extends a cordial invitation to these friends to be their guests at any of their Friday night meetings.

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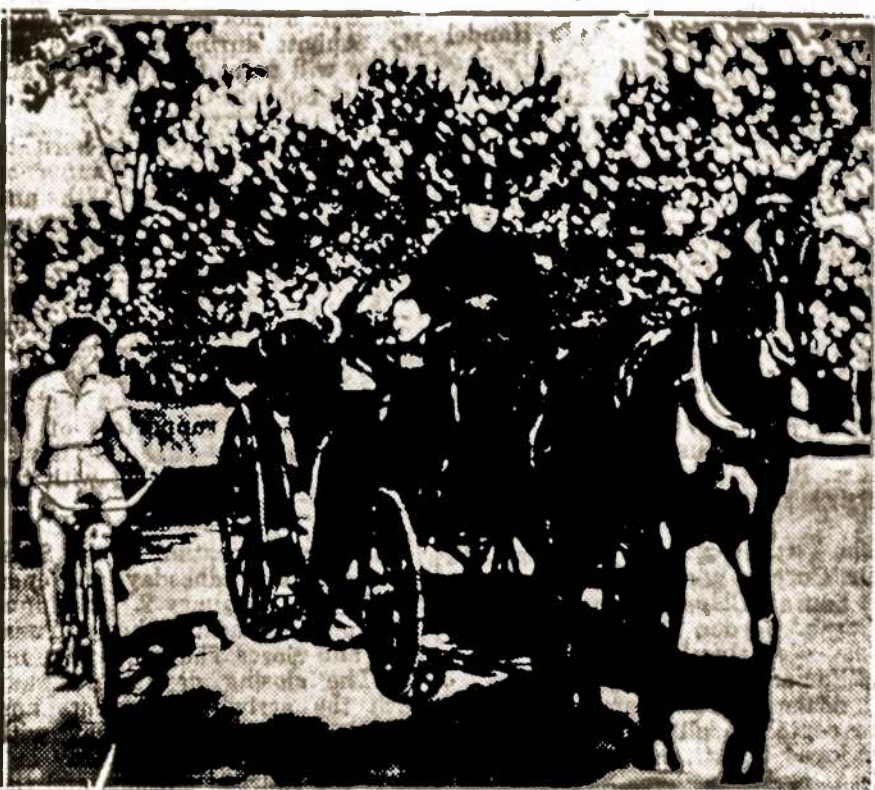
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Martin Fox, dean of the few remaining coach drivers in New York City, who remembers the old high-wheelers, the "Scorchers," and the tandem bicycles of four decades ago, when he first started to drive a horse in Central Park, greets Miss Clarice Hart, who is out for a spin on a cold November afternoon. Fox likes the modern bike and the modern girl and believes that the return of cycling to the park has also brought with it the proper cycling costumes.

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12:15 P.M. Church School.  
7:00 P.M. Praise Service.  
7:30 P.M. Thursday, Dec. 27, Mid-week Service at the Vernon Home.

7:30 P.M. on Monday Dec. 24, a Christmas Concert by the children and choir will be given. Every one is cordially invited to come and enjoy the program.

7:30 P.M. Friday, Dec. 21, a Christmas entertainment will be held at the South School-house by the teacher, Miss Elizabeth Stearns and her pupils. Several plays are to be given. All are cordially invited.

Relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bassett in West Northfield Tuesday evening to help them celebrate their 15th wedding anniversary, which occurred on Wednesday, Dec. 19, and Mrs. Bassett's birthday on Thursday, Dec. 20. The evening was spent in a social way. Refreshments were served.

Miss Alma Dunklee has returned to school, having sufficiently recovered from a recent appendicitis operation.

## 'Twas A Good Show Good Attendance Greeted

The play "Mrs. Beverly Bifocals" given under the auspices of the Northfield Chapter of the Eastern Star last Monday evening at the Town Hall was a decided success in every way. Those who took part acquitted themselves with both honor and credit and the play as outlined in last week's Herald was very favorably received and there was much applause. There is some talk of repeating the show at a later date.

## Personals

The Young People's Social Club will meet this Friday evening at Dickenson Memorial Hall. Dancing instruction will be given.

Mrs. Stam, whose murder in China was reported in last week's Herald, was a graduate of the Moody Bible Institute at Chicago and not of the Northfield Seminary as stated.

## My Favorite Recipes

Frances Lee Barton says:

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**Cheese Salad in Tomato Cups**  
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Dissolve gelatin in warm water. Add vinegar and salt. Chill. Blend cheese with mayonnaise. When gelatin is slightly thickened, add to cheese mixture gradually, stirring well. Turn into shallow pan, in 1/4-inch layer. Chill until firm.

Cut slice from stem end of each tomato. Remove part of pulp. Sprinkle inside of tomatoes with salt and turn upside down to drain. When gelatin is firm, cut in 1/4-inch cubes. Fill tomatoes with gelatin mixture. Arrange on bed of crisp lettuce or water cress. Serve with additional mayonnaise. Serves 6.

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## The Season's Greetings To All Our Readers

### Seminary News Notes

(Continued From Page One) the Spirit of Jehovah shall rest upon him, and the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of Jehovah." Isaiah 11:1-2

Carol: "O Nightingale, Awake!" Swiss arr. by Dickinson  
"And she shall bring forth a son; and thou shalt call his name Jesus; for it is he that shall have his people from their sins." Matthew 1:21.

Carol: "Is This the Way to Bethlehem?" Italian arr. by Dickinson

"But thou, Bethlehem, land of Judah, which art little to be among the thousands of Judah, out of thee shall one come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel." Micah 5:2. Hymn: "Joy to the World"

Carols: "A Babe so Tender" Old English arr. by Davis

"Lullaby on Christmas Eve" Christiansen

"And she brought forth her first born son; and she wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." Luke 2:7.

Silent Meditation: Organ and Piano: "Pastorale" Guilman

Hymn: "Silent Night"

Carol: "Bring a Torch, Jeannette Isabella" Provencal French

Carol: "When the Sun Had Sunk to Rest" Old English arr. by Knight

"And the angel said unto them, Be not afraid; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:10-11.

Carol: "Shepherds' Christmas Song" Austrian arr. from Reimann

"The shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this

thing, which has come to pass." Luke 2:15.

The Christmas March: "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Carol: "Christians Hark" Bressan Noel

Anthem: "Glory to God in the Highest" Pergolesi

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, Glory to God in the Highest; and on earth peace among men in whom he is well pleased." Luke 2:13-14.

Anthem: "The Shepherds' Story" Dickinson

"And the Shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, even as it was spoken unto them." Luke 2:20.

Recessional: "Adeste Fideles" Handel

Benediction: "Pastoral Amen" Handel

Postlude: "Christmas Pastorale" Harker

### Pine Street School

(By Ethel Miller)

The Christmas Exercises for the Pine St. School took place last Friday afternoon. Many of the parents attended.

The program consisted of a play entitled "The Strike in Santa Claus Land." The following took part: Mr. Santa Claus, Roger Lanphear Mrs. Santa Claus, Miriam Hunt Fairy Youngheart Sybil Severance

The Little Girl, Julia Ross Dr. Curren Quickly, Stanley Duda Santa Claus Helpers: Lloyd Carne, Gordon Carr, Arthur Bolton, Beverly Briesmaster, Ethel Miller and Ellen Giebel.

After the program gifts were presented to all the children. All enjoyed the afternoon.

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will be interesting at the Northfield Hotel. Beside providing for the many out-door winter sports there is scheduled inside the singing of Christmas Carols on Christmas Eve and a sleigh ride through the woods on Christmas Day, provided there is sufficient snow.

### Locals

Tuberculosis Organizations which are selling Christmas Seals throughout the Commonwealth have been asked to co-operate with the postal authorities in seeing that the public affix the seals to the back of Christmas letters, packages and cards.

On his visit to Greenfield last week Congressman Allen T. Treadway reports that a strong active and favorable interest has been manifested in the Townsend old age pension matter which is to come up in Congress at the next session.

During the holiday vacation the cellar of Center School will have finished the improvements begun sometime ago. Leavis and Bolton will finish the concreting of the floor and the small amount of coal remaining has been transferred to the High School by Mr. Anderson. Mr. Abbott during the same vacation will paint the interior walls of East School.

A daughter, Jill, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wagner of Brattleboro December 12th and congratulations are being extended. Mr. Wagner has many friends in Northfield.

The recent Massachusetts political campaign, from which only one Republican candidate for state-wide office emerged victorious, cost some supporters of the Republican party \$213,650, it was disclosed by figures filed with the secretary of state.

Christmas vacation at the Seminary began Wednesday, and ends Wednesday, January 2. At Mount Hermon, the vacation began Tuesday, and closes Thursday, January 3. The closing days were busy with the arrival of parents and friends who motored away with their son or daughter. Many left from the railroad stations and the trains were rapidly filled with students.

Several of the farmer folk from Northfield are planning to attend the sessions of the 17th Annual Union Agricultural Meeting of the State to be held at the Memorial Auditorium in Worcester, January 9, 10, and 11th. The program for the various sessions has been announced and should be most interesting.

According to a report from the State Milk Board, a rate for milk of six cents a quart has been established for Franklin County for wholesale only. The rate will be effective next Sunday.

Mr. Charles R. Taggart, the old fiddler of Vermont and versatile entertainer will appear in the parlors of the Northfield Hotel on Wednesday evening December 26th. The Hotel will welcome its guests and friends.

### Slippery Going

"Did you navigate your car successfully last Wednesday?" If so you did well. Shortly afternoon the weather-man sent along a real rain storm and it came down hard and fast.

The ground was so cold that the water froze as fast as it fell and in no time the streets were a bad glare of ice making traveling by auto rather a dangerous venture. This condition continued late in the evening when a rise in the temperature helped the situation. The streets were partially sanded in the late afternoon. As it was, many mishaps are reported to automobiles which skidded especially on the hill grades about town. The garages were kept busy with their wrecking crews all evening.

### My Favorite Recipes

— Frances Lee Barton says: —

STRAWBERRY shortcake enthusiasts are divided into two camps. There are those who vote for the shortcake made with a "short" biscuit. Others swear by the "cake" shortcake.

My family is evenly divided on the subject—so I have to be impartial and make my shortcake both ways.

If you are on the side of the "cake" shortcake, you are going to find this recipe delicious—try it the next time strawberry shortcake is in order.

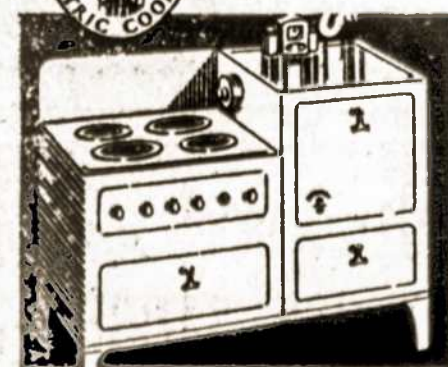
#### Individual Shortcakes

3 cups sifted cake flour; 3 teaspoons combination baking powder; 1 teaspoon salt; ¼ cup butter or other shortening; ¼ cup milk; 2 quarts crushed, sweetened fruit.

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift again. Cut in shortening; add milk all at once and stir carefully until all flour is dampened. Then stir vigorously until mixture forms a soft dough and follows spoon around bowl. Turn out immediately on slightly floured board and knead 30 seconds. Roll ¼ inch thick and cut with 3-inch floured biscuit cutter. Place half of circles on ungreased baking sheet; brush with melted butter. Place remaining circles on top and butter tops well. Bake in hot oven (450° F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Separate halves of hot biscuits, spread bottom halves with soft butter and some of crushed fruit. Place other halves on top, crust-side down. Spread with butter and remaining fruit. Garnish with whipped cream and additional pieces of fruit. Serves 8.

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## DECEMBER 13-24

### MERRY CHRISTMAS

One of the noblest ways to express the spirit of Christmas is to use Christmas Seals for your gift packages and mailings.



PEEL.....pkg. 9c  
LEMON—CITRON—ORANGE

RAISINS.....2 pkgs. 17c  
SEEDED—SEEDLESS

Stickney's STUFFING.....pkg. 9c

PUMPKIN.....2 lge. tins 25c  
MASTIFF

FLOUR.....24½ lb. bag 99c  
MASTIFF PASTRY

FLOUR.....24½ lb. bag \$1.13  
NATION-WIDE FAMILY

PITTED DATES.....pkg. 15c

CURRENTS.....pkg. 17c

MINCEMEAT.....pkg. 9c

FIGS.....3 pkgs. 25c

Cranberry SAUCE.....2 tins 29c  
OCEAN SPRAY

Poultry SEASONING.....pkg. 9c..  
BELL'S

MINCEMEAT.....tin 25c  
FRIEND'S

Ivory or Iodized SALT.....2 pkgs. 15c

Baking POWDER.....lb. tin 19c  
NATION-WIDE

WALNUTS.....lb. 25c  
DIAMOND

MIXED NUTS.....lb. 23c

RIBBON CANDY.....2 lb. box 39c

PEANUT BRITTLE.....lb. 21c

CAKE FLOUR.....pkg. 29c  
PILLSBURY'S SNOSHEN

CHOCOLATE.....½ lb. cake 21c  
BAKER'S PREMIUM

Nation-Wide COFFEE.....lb. 25c

Astor House COFFEE.....lb. 31c

Quaker OATS.....lge. pkg. 21c  
GET A \$50.00 IVER JOHNSON BICYCLE FOR CHRISTMAS FREE

Foss' VANILLA.....2 oz. bot. 29c  
MELLOWED—AGED IN THE WOOD

SUGAR.....2-1 lb. pkgs. 15c  
CONFECTIONER'S

FOR THE HOLIDAY FEAST  
Nobility Assortment...lb. pkg. 31c  
SUNSHINE—English Style Biscuits  
11 VARIETIES—58 Biscuits

Common Crackers.....lb. pkg. 21c  
Ideal For Your Turkey Stuffing



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